

The Worship of God

April 17, 2016

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Eleven O'Clock

The worship of God begins with the music of the organ. We encourage you to use this time for meditation and reflection. Please refrain from conversation which would disturb others and turn off or silence all electronic devices. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Arioso

J.S. Bach /arr. Virgil Fox

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Improvisation

Mark Pichowicz

CHORAL INTROIT

Canadian Melody

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation; listen even if you don't understand.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 2: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" HYMN TO JOY
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Because you have created a world that is rich with diversity and robust with uniqueness,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because you have clothed us in a rainbow of colors and fitted us with a cornucopia of perspectives,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we often fail to see one another clearly or listen to one another carefully,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we often judge what we do not understand and criticize what we do not like,

People: We need you, O God.

Minister: Because we are an Easter people with hope in our eyes and faith in our hearts,

People: We need you, O God. Teach us the blessedness of silence, the exhilaration of encouragement, and the joy of faith that sings!

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35 GREATOREX

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION

YISRAEL V'ORAITA, Hasidic Melody

Open your ears, O faithful people; open your ears and hear God's word. Open your hearts, O royal priesthood; God has come to you. *God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!* They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, now let them hear; they who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God, for we have sinned. We have not loved you with our whole selves and have not loved our brothers and sisters, created in your image, but different from us. We have created divisions that are contrary to your will and impede our common witness. Too often, we live beside each other as strangers, building walls which divide instead of bridges that unite. Create within us a new and contrite heart, and teach us to love one another as you have loved us. Be merciful to us, we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS: Deuteronomy 11:18-20; Psalm 119:103-114

Minister: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "I Will Lift Mine Eyes to the Hills"

David N. Childs

I will lift mine eyes to the hills, whence cometh my help? My help comes from God, the Maker of heaven and earth. The Lord God watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from harm; your Maker will watch over you; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forever more.

Psalm 121, paraphrased

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 722: "This Is My Song" Finlandia

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Ricercar

Johann Krieger

* THE DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Today we give thanks for people of faith who love and serve God and one another throughout the world. The Acolyte places on the altar a candle holder depicting people holding hands and united in prayer.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Sebastian Temple/arr. Mark Barnard

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord. And where there's doubt, true faith in you. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, only light. And where there's sadness, ever joy. Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned. In giving of ourselves that we receive. And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: II Timothy 3:14-17

SERMON: "Thinking about Scripture" Dr. William Graham

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that God's image lies in the hearts of all people including those whose ways are different from ours, whose faiths are foreign to us, and whose tongues are unintelligible to us. We believe that God loves all people with a great love, that all religion is an attempt to respond to God, and that the yearnings of other hearts are much like our own and are known to God. We seek to recognize God in words of truth, in things of beauty, and in the actions of love about us. As we pray for one another, we pray through Christ, who is a stranger to no one land more than another, and to every land no less than to another. Amen.

Adapted from the World Council of Churches, Vancouver Assembly, 1983

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

- * RECESSIONAL HYMN 688: “When, in Awe of God’s Creation” HYFRYDOL
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)
- * THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
- * ORGAN POSTLUDE: Now Thank We All Our God J.S. Bach/arr. Virgil Fox
- * Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Fred Turnage.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright <i>Senior Minister</i>	Elizabeth Edwards <i>Associate Minister</i>	Amy Shortt <i>Minister of Music</i>
Connor Evans <i>Acolyte</i>	Mark Pichowicz <i>Interim Organist</i>	Michael Waters <i>Crucifer</i>

Lakeside website: lakesidechurchrmt.org

*Children’s worship aids are available in the narthex.
Bibles and Wireless Hearing Aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex.
Childcare is available in the Preschool Building.*

The paraments on the altar and pulpit, along with the ministers’ stoles, provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. The color of the Easter season is white, symbolic of purity and light and a reminder of the glory of God revealed through Christ’s resurrection. The Celtic Cross with its circle celebrates the sacrificial love and eternal nature of God. The Acolyte brings light to the altar as a reminder of Christ, the Light of life, and leads us out of the sanctuary as a reminder that we are to take this light to the world. In the same way, we begin and end our worship following the cross as a symbol of God’s self-giving love for us all.

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP BAGS

Worship bags are available in the narthex and have a variety of items that will help to make worship more meaningful for our children. Please return them to the narthex following worship.

TODAY AT LAKESIDE

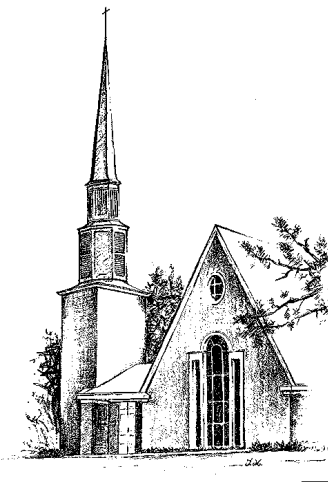
- 5:00 p.m. . . . Children’s Activity, Preschool Music and Storytime
- 5:00 p.m. . . . Youth Choir
- 6:00 p.m. . . . Youth and Children’s Dinner, Youth Room
- 6:15 p.m. . . . Preschool Bible and Missions Activities, Children’s Choir
- 6:30 p.m. . . . SNL
- 7:00 p.m. . . . Turnage Distinguished Speaker Forum, Sanctuary
- 8:00 p.m. . . . Reception, Robbins Hall

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. Members of Lakeside are persons on a journey of faith. Our church seeks to be a worshiping and serving community where the gospel of Jesus Christ is modeled and proclaimed.

Our church is Baptist by tradition and heritage, but in our worship and practice we seek to move beyond the label of a denomination to incorporate the richness of other Christian traditions. In our community service we support many ecumenical ministries that convey God’s love beyond the lines of any denomination.

We receive members by affirmation of their faith or by transfer from other Christian churches. We honor the previous baptism of persons coming to Lakeside from other Christian denominations. If you are interested in knowing more about our church and its ministries, please fill out a guest card or speak to one of the ministers or members.



*Easter
at
Lakeside*

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**THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE
DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES
AT LAKESIDE:
CONVERSATIONS ON CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP
APRIL 17-18, 2016**

**honoring the life and legacy of
Frederick E. Turnage
December 30, 1935 - July 31, 2011**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
Sunday, April 17, 2016**

11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship, Lakeside Sanctuary
Dr. Graham, preaching: "Thinking about Scripture"

7:00 p.m. - Lakeside Sanctuary
Presentation and Dialogue about religion and politics in relation to Islam
"Islam Today and Yesterday: Religion and Politics"
Reception following

Monday, April 18, 2016

10:00 a.m. - Robbins Hall in the Kincheloe Building
Coffee and Conversation with Dr. Graham
"Religion in a Pluralistic World"

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**Frederick E. Turnage
December 30, 1935 - July 31, 2011**

John Frederick Earl Turnage was born December 30, 1935, in Edgecombe County, the son of Clarence Earl Turnage and Stella Mae Davenport Turnage. Fred was a life-long resident of Rocky Mount. He graduated from Rocky Mount High School, Wake Forest University and Wake Forest University School of Law. He was a member of Lakeside Baptist Church for fifty years where he contributed his talent and energies in numerous ways.

Fred was a dedicated servant of the Rocky Mount area and served in many leadership roles including 34 years as the mayor of Rocky Mount, Past Chairman of the Rocky Mount Area Chamber of Commerce, Director of the Upper Coastal Plain Learning Council, and President of the North Carolina League of Municipalities. He also served as Board Member for the National League of Municipalities and on the North Carolina Local Government Commission, President of the Electric Cities of North Carolina, and on numerous other Boards and Commissions committed to the well-being of the Rocky Mount Community.

Fred's dedication to the Rocky Mount area and its citizens was best demonstrated by his loving and caring nature. He believed in a mission to help people and committed himself to causes that benefitted his fellow man. He touched so many people through his public life and his 50 years as a practicing attorney in Rocky Mount.

Fred's true spirit was revealed in his love for his family: his wife of 51 years, Norma; his son, John and his wife Beth; his daughter, Trevor and her husband Tommy Lane; his five grandchildren, Elizabeth, Olivia, Charlie, Robert and Graham; and his sister, Kay McGregor and her husband Carl.

Fred Turnage passed away on Sunday, July 31, 2011.

DR. WILLIAM A. GRAHAM

William A. Graham is the Murray A. Albertson Professor of Middle Eastern Studies and University Distinguished Service Professor at Harvard University. He has been a member of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences since 1973 and a member of the Faculty of Divinity since 2002, when he began a ten-year tenure as its Dean. He has also served Harvard as Director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Master of Currier House (undergraduate residential college), and Chair of the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, the Committee on the Study of Religion, and the Core Curriculum Committee on Foreign Cultures. He is a former Chair of the Council on Graduate Studies in Religion (North America). A fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, he has held John Simon Guggenheim and Alexander von Humboldt research fellowships. His scholarly work has focused on early Islamic religious history and textual traditions (Qur'an and Hadith), and on topics in the global history of religion. In 2000, he received the quinquennial Award for Excellence in Research in Islamic History and Culture from the Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture (Istanbul), the research institute of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference. His book *Divine Word and Prophetic Word in Early Islam* was awarded the American Council of Learned Societies' History of Religions Prize in 1978. He is the author also of *Beyond the Written Word: Oral Aspects of Scripture in the History of Religion* (1987) and *Islamic and Comparative Religious Studies* (2010), and has co-authored three books, among them *Three Faiths, One God* (2002), and *The Heritage of World Civilizations* (10th ed., 2015). Raised in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, he was a Morehead Scholar and summa graduate at UNC Chapel Hill (1966). He earned his M.A. (1970) and Ph.D. (1973) degrees from Harvard University in the History of Religion, and holds an honorary doctorate of letters (2004) from UNC-CH as well as from Lehigh University (2006).



Selected publications:

- *The Heritage of World Civilizations* (Prentice Hall/Pearson; 10th rev. ed., 2014)
- *Islamic and Comparative Religious Studies* (Ashgate Publishing, 2010)
- *Three Faiths, One God* (Brill, 2002)
- *Beyond the Written Word: Oral Aspects of Scripture in the History of Religion* (Cambridge University Press, 1987, 1993)
- *Divine Word and Prophetic Word in Early Islam* (Walter De Gruyter, 1977)

See also:

- "Art Review: Reading the 'Book of Nature,'" *Harvard Divinity Bulletin*
- "Why Study Religion in the Twenty-first Century?," *Harvard Divinity Bulletin*

WHO IS LAKESIDE?

In 1955 a group of Baptists responded to the need for a church on what was then the western edge of Rocky Mount. On June 5, 1955, Lakeside Baptist Church was constituted. Proudly Baptist in heritage and tradition, over the years in our worship and practice, Lakeside has moved beyond the label of a denomination to incorporate the richness of other Christian traditions. While we retain the Baptist name, in our city we are known simply as Lakeside Church.

Our congregation is distinguished by its ecumenical spirit, the dignity and classic style of our worship, the usefulness of our facilities, and the community involvement of both our programs and our members.

The emphasis of Lakeside's congregational life is on worship and involvement in community and social ministry. Our worship is traditional and liturgical: we follow the Christian year; the clergy are robed; the choir processes; and the liturgy is crafted to engender a great amount of congregational participation. A full range of activities and opportunities are provided on Sundays and throughout the week for children, youth, and adults.

Lakeside's primary missional involvement is in our particular and ecumenical community ministries. However, our ministry does extend globally through the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship National, and the Alliance of Baptists.

One of our ministries is the Lakeside Preschool, a week day program for two, three, and four year olds using traditional and Montessori methods. Our doors are open to numerous community groups and activities. In the administration and ministry of our church, both men and women serve in all capacities including service as Deacons. We would ordain both men and women to ministry as requested. Our doors are open to all who would come.

ABOUT THE TURNAGE SPEAKER SERIES

The Frederick E. Turnage Distinguished Speaker Series at Lakeside: Conversations on Christian Citizenship is made possible thanks to the generosity of the Turnage family and friends of the late Fred Turnage. Each year, the series seeks out experts with vast experience in the church, public service, business, education, the arts, the sciences, non-profit organizations, and other areas of our common life to help us explore the ways in which our faith influences that life.

If you would like to support this ongoing ministry and honor the legacy of Fred Turnage, you may do so by making a gift to: The Turnage Speaker Series, Lakeside Baptist Church, 1501 Sunset Avenue, Rocky Mount, NC 27804, or by visiting our website at: www.lakesidechurchrmt.org.